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FOLLOWING IS REPLY FROM REGISTRAR OF ICJ TO EMBASSY'S INQUIRY
PURSUANT REFTEL:

"IN REPLY TO YOUR LETTER OF 27 AUGUST, I SHOULD PERHAPS FIRST EXPLAIN THAT THERE ARE NO POSTS IN THE REGISTRY OF THE COURT FOR WHICH LEGAL QUALIFICATIONS ARE THE SOLE AND ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENT. APART FROM THE REGISTRAR AND DEPUTY-REGISTRAR, WHO ARE ELECTED FOR A SEVEN YEARS TERM BY THE COURT FROM AMONG CANDIDATES PROPOSED BY MEMBERS OF THE COURT, THE POSTS FOR WHICH LEGAL QUALIFICATIONS OR A GOOD KNOWLEDGE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW ARE DESIRABLE ARE THOSE OF THE COURT'S SECRETARIES AND FIRST SECRETARIES; AND THE HOLDERS OF THESE POSTS ARE ALSO CALLED UPON TO UNDERTAKE (INTER ALIA) A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF LINGUISTIC WORK, I.E. TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETATION BETWEEN THE COURT'S TWO OFFICIAL LANGUAGES, ENGLISH AND FRENCH. CANDIDATES FOR THESE POSTS MUST THEREFORE BE OF ENGLISH OR FRENCH MOTHER TONGUE, AND BE THOROUGHLY CONVERSANT WITH THE OTHER LANGUAGE, MUST BE CAPABLE OF DISCHARGING THE DUTIES OF INTERPRETER, AND SHOULD PREFERABLY HAVE EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD.

"THERE IS AT PRESENT ONE POST OF SECRETARY VACANT, AT A LEVEL CORRESPONDING TO THE P.4 CATEGORY IN THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT, BUT IN THE LIGHT OF THE COURT'S PROGRAMME OF WORK AND GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS OF UNITED NATIONS STAFFING POLICY, IT IS NOT PROPOSED TO RECRUIT FOR THIS POST IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

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RECRUITMENT WILL IN DUE COURSE BE EFFECTED BY WIDESPREAD ADVER-

TISEMENT AND CIRCULATION OF OTHER UNITED NATIONS ORGANS AND
SPECIALIZED AGENCIES.

"THE ANSWER TO YOUR EQUIRE AS TO THE THE PRESENCE OF US NATIONALS
ON THE REGISTRY'S PROFESSIONAL STAFF IS THAT THERE ARE NONE
HOLDING POSTS IN A CATEGORY CORRESPONDING TO THE PROFESSIONAL
CATEGORY OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT; THERE IS ONE US
NATIONAL EMPLOYED AS AN ASSISTANT IN THE ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT
AT A LEVEL CORRESPONDING TO THE SENIOR LEVEL OF THE GENERAL
SERVICE CATEGORY."

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